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Amendments to the Specification:

Please revise the first paragraph in the original DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT as shown in the following revised paragraph:

Figure 1A shows the preferred embodiment of the present invention. In the preferred embodiment, the enclosed applicator comprises of an applicator 1 fully sealed along with fluids 2 such as perfume, disinfectant, or other medications within an elongated housing 3 with an opening means 4 near the applicator tip 5. As shown in the figure, a great majority of the fluid 2 is disposed around the elongated body of the applicator 1, away from the applicator tip 5. The opening means 4 may comprise of a simple twist-off cap that is formed as part of the elongated housing 3. As shown in figure 1B, when the applicator tip 5 is exposed through the opening means 4, the fluid 2 in the elongated housing 3 may be applied through the applicator tip 5.

Please revise the third paragraph in the original DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENT as shown in the following revised paragraph:

Figure 2 shows another embodiment of the enclosed applicator. This embodiment of the enclosed applicator comprises of an elongated housing 7 enclosing and sealing an applicator 8 with the applicator tip 9 affixed near the opening means 10 such that when the elongated housing 7 is opened through the opening means 10, a portion of the applicator tip 9 will be exposed for

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application. As shown in the figure, a great majority of the fluid 12 is disposed around the applicator 8, away from the applicator tip 9. The body 11 of the applicator 8 is an elongated member extending into substantially the length of the elongated housing 7 away from the opening means 10 that will allow the fluid 12 in the elongated housing 7 to flow to the applicator tip 9 to be applied. The elongated body 11 of the applicator 8 will disrupt the surface tension of the fluid 12 within the elongated housing 7 such that the capillary action of the fluid 12 within the elongated housing 7 will overcome the surface tension of the fluid 12 to allow the fluid 12 to flow out of the elongated housing 7 even when the volume and size of the elongated housing 7 is extremely small.